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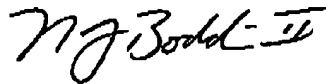
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**RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION OF MAY 4, 2005**

Sir:

Applicants provide the present Amendment to address the issues raised in the Final Office Action (the "Final Action") mailed May 4, 2005. Applicants provide the present Amendment pursuant to the rules stated in revised 37 C.F.R. 1.121 that became effective on July 30, 2003.

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